



Attorney Docket No.: FL/142

THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Muller et al.

**Serial No.: 10/791,659**

**Filed: March 2, 2004**

**For: Composite Filter Media**

Commissioner for Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

) Group Art Unit:

) Examiner:

*I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P. O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on May 14, 2004.*

Beverly McLennan  
Beverly McLennan

May 14, 2004  
(date of mailing document)

**LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL**

**Dear Sir:**

We enclose the following papers for filing in the U. S. Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified Patent Application:

1. Information Disclosure Statement (1 page)
2. Information Disclosure Citation (1 page)
3. References (6)

**THE COMMISSIONER IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED AND IS REQUESTED TO CHARGE ALL FILING FEES DUE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.16 AND ALL OTHER FEES DUE UNDER SECTION 1.17 DURING THE PENDENCY OF THIS APPLICATION TO OUR DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 07-1729.**

Respectfully submitted,

*Ruella*

**Richard W. Ellis, 46,683  
W. L. Gore & Associates, Inc.  
51 Paper Mill Road  
P.O. Box 9206  
Newark, DE 19714-9206  
(302) 738-4880**

Date: May 14, 2004



Attorney Docket No.: FL/142

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Muller et al.

Serial No.: 10/791,659

Filed: March 2, 2004

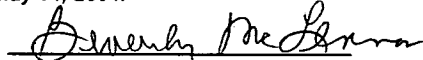
For: Composite Filter Media

Commissioner for Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

) Group Art Unit:

) Examiner:

I hereby certify that this  
correspondence is being deposited with  
the United States Postal Service as first  
class mail in an envelope addressed to:  
Commissioner for Patents, P. O. Box  
1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on  
May 14, 2004.

  
Beverly McLennan

May 14, 2004  
(date of mailing document)

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§1.97-1.98, information relating to the above-identified application is hereby disclosed. Inclusion of information in this statement is not to be construed as an admission that this information is material as that term is defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(b).


In accordance with §1.97(b), since this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed either within three months of the filing date of the above-identified application, within three months of the date of entry into the national stage of the above-identified application as set forth in §1.491, or before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits of the above-identified application, no additional fee is required.

Respectfully submitted,



Richard W. Ellis, 46,683  
W. L. Gore & Associates, Inc.  
551 Paper Mill Road  
P.O. Box 9206  
Newark, DE 19714-9206  
(302) 738-4880

Date: May 14, 2004

<b>INFORMATION DISCLOSURE CITATION</b> (Use several sheets if necessary) 	<b>Docket Number (Optional)</b> FL/142	<b>Application Number</b> 10/791,659
	<b>Applicant(s)</b> Muller et al.	
	<b>Filing Date</b> March 2, 2004	<b>Group Art Unit</b>

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS							
*EXAMINER INITIAL	REF	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
/M.P./		4,878,930	11/07/89	Manniso et al.	55	493	
/M.P./		5,207,812	10/01/96	Tronto et al.	55	498	
/M.P./		5,401,448	03/28/95	Ricciardi et al.	264	37	
/M.P./		5,814,405	09/29/98	Branca et al.	428	311.51	
/M.P./		6,409,785	06/25/02	Smithies et al.	55	486	
/M.P./		2003/0010210A1	01/16/03	Kawano et al.	95	287	6/12/02

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS								
	REF	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	Translation	
							YES	NO

OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)		

<b>EXAMINER</b> /Minh Chau Pham/	<b>DATE CONSIDERED</b> 05/06/2008
----------------------------------	-----------------------------------

EXAMINER: Initial if citation considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP Section 609; Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.